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Satoshi TANAKA et al.)
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Application No.: 10/808,299)
) Examiner: Memula, Suresh
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GENERATING MASK DATA AND)
METHOD FOR FORMING A)
PATTERN)

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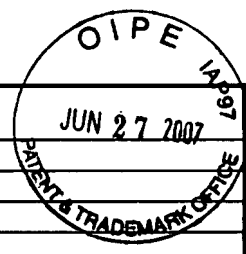
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